



CALIFORNIA STATE PERSONNEL BOARD MEETING

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SUMMARY MINUTES- JULY 13, 2005

FULL BOARD MEETING MINUTES1

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PUBLIC SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

1. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

William Elkins, President Maeley Tom, Vice President Ron Alvarado, Member Sean Harrigan, Member Anne Sheehan, Member

2. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER – Floyd D. Shimomura

- **A.** The Board would be briefed in the afternoon by James Mayer of the Little Hoover Commission on its most recent report titled, "Serving the Public: Managing the State workforce to Improve Outcomes". The report is timely and makes many important suggestions on improving state management.
- **B.** The Governor, at the request of the SPB, issued Executive Order S-04-05 in late June urging state agencies to seek and hire more qualified disabled persons.
- **C.** The SPB staff has placed new Whistleblower regulations on public display in preparation for hearings at the Board's September (actually held in late August) and October full board meetings.
- **D.** The renovation of the new ALJ hearing rooms in Sacramento are largely complete and now in use. Old furniture is being used pending the arrival of new tables and chairs.
- **E.** A letter has been sent to the Secretary of State requesting certain information by September 1 so that the Board may be prepared to restore the Secretary of State's delegated personnel authority.
- **F.** The SPB is planning a "metrics conference" for September 8, 2005 to measure the value of what we do in HR.

¹ The Minutes for the Board can be obtained at the following internet address: http://www.spb.ca.gov/calendar.htm

3. REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION (DPA) – Bill Avritt and Daryll Tsujihara

Bill Avritt and Daryll Tsujihara gave a brief report on recent activities of the Department of Personnel Administration.

4. REPORT ON THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS) - Ron Alvarado

Ron Alvarado gave a brief report on recent activities of CALPERS.

5. REPORT OF THE CHIEF COUNSEL - Elise Rose

Litigation:

McCollum v. State of California, Civil Case No. C 04-3339 CRB - Suit filed by volunteer Wiccan chaplain claiming he is barred from serving in a paid Chaplain position with Department of Corrections because he is a Wiccan rather than one of the 5 sanctioned religions for which specific clergy classifications exist. He claims the prison's policy violates the 1st and 14th amendments of the United States Constitution, prohibiting the state from enacting laws "respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

Other:

- SPB's State Employee Mediation Program reports a 50% increase in the number of cases referred over prior year.
- Karen J. Brandt has transferred from her position of Staff Counsel III at the State Personnel Board to an Administrative Law Judge position with the Office of Administrative Hearings. SPB Legal Division is now accepting applications to refill the position vacated by Ms. Brandt.

6. NEW BUSINESS

NONE

7. REPORT ON LEGISLATION – Sherry Hicks

AB 124 (Dymally) – The bill will be heard in Senate Appropriations on August 15, 2005. We expect it to reach the Governor's desk at the end of August. The bill is being amended to address concerns regarding the collection of data as it relates to the disabled in state service.

8. ORAL ARGUMENT

Oral argument in the matter of **PATRICK BARBER, CASE NO. 04-0174A.** Appeal from dismissal. Youth Correctional Officer. Department of Youth Authority.

Participants:

Joan Branin – Representing the Department of Youth Authority. William Hadden – Representing the appellant.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

9. ORAL ARGUMENT

Oral argument in the matter of **FRANK GARCIA**, **CASE NO. 04-0092P**. Appeal from dismissal. Chief Engineer I. Department of Corrections.

Participants:

Steven McNeal – Representing the Department of Corrections. Tawny Parr – Representing the appellant.

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision sustaining the dismissal.

10. HEARING – PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT # 05-03: SEIU Local 1000 (CSEA)'s Appeal of the Executive Officer's Decision

Appeal of SEIU Local 1000 (CSEA) from the Executive Officer's February 16, 2005 Approval of a Contract for Information Technology Services between the California Department of Health Services (DHS) and IDNS, Inc.

Participants:

Tim Ford – Representing the Department of Health Services Anne Giese – Representing SEIU Local 1000 (CSEA)

ACTION: SUBMITTED

11. CAL BAY DELTA AUTHORITY - Wendy Halverson Martin & Karen Lynch

The California Bay Delta Authority (CBDA) proposes establishment of a Program Manager class series consisting of three managerial designated classes titled: Program Manager I, CBDA; Program Manager II, CBDA; and Program Manager III, CBDA, each with a twelve month probationary period.

Speakers:

Jennifer Roche – State Personnel Board Wendy Halverson Martin – Cal Bay Delta Authority Karen Lynch – Department of Personnel Administration Kristen Haynie – CAPS

ACTION: APPROVED

12. PRE-EMPLOYMENT DRUG TESTING – CLASSIFICATION ITEM - Daphne Baldwin

The California Department of Corrections, Department of Developmental Services, Department of Mental Health, and the Department of Veterans Affairs are requesting revision to the minimum qualifications for the Clinical Social Worker (Health Facility) and the Clinical Social Worker (Health/Correctional Facility)(Safety) classifications and designation of the classes as "sensitive" for the purpose of pre-employment drug testing.

ACTION: APPROVED

13. INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING BY THE LITTLE HOOVER COMMISSION - James P. Mayer, Executive Director, Little Hoover Commission

Informational briefing regarding recommendations contained in the Little Hoover Commission's Report, *Serving the Public: Managing the State Workforce to Improve Outcomes.* The Commission recommended that the Governor and Legislature make strategic changes in three major areas – how the State recruits and hires managers, how departments manage and motivate workers, and how compensation could be used to attract and reward high performing managers.

14. INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING: SCOPE OF BARGAINING (PART II)

- Various employee representatives, other interested parties and agencies

Informational briefing on scope of bargaining issues scheduled to provide the opportunity for comment by employee representatives, agencies and other interested parties.

Speakers:

Elise Rose – State Personnel Board Carol Ong – State Personnel Board Gary Robinson – UAPD Anne Giese – SEIU Local 1000 (CSEA)

15. DISCUSSION OF COMING BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE OF JULY 26, 2005, IN SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

NONE

16. ADOPTION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD SUMMARY MINUTES OF JUNE 7, 2005

ACTION: Adopted on July 13, 2005

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan – Aye

17. EVIDENTIARY CASES - (See Case Listings on Page 12-21)

18. RESOLUTION EXTENDING TIME UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 EXTENSION - (See Minutes Page 27-28)

ACTION: Adopted on July 13, 2005

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan – Aye

19. NON-EVIDENTIARY CASES - (See Case Listings on Page 21-24)

20. NON-HEARING CALENDAR

Proposals are made to the State Personnel Board by either the Board staff or Department of Personnel Administration staff.

NONE

21. STAFF CALENDAR ITEMS FOR BOARD INFORMATION

The Department of Personnel Administration on behalf of the Department of Insurance proposes the abolishment of the Worker's Compensation Conference Referee (WCCR) classification. In 1992 the legislation which created the WCCR class was sunset and the functions associated with the WCCR class removed. Currently the WCCR is unused and has no incumbents.

22. CAREER EXECUTIVE ASSIGNMENT (CEA) CATEGORY ACTIVITY

This section of the Minutes serves to inform interested individuals and departments of proposed and approved CEA position actions.

The first section lists position actions that have been proposed and are currently under consideration.

Any parties having concerns with the merits of a proposed CEA position action should submit their concerns in writing to the Classification and Compensation Division of the Department of Personnel Administration, the Merit Employment and Technical Resources Division of the State Personnel Board, and the department proposing the action.

To assure adequate time to consider objections to a CEA position action, issues should be presented immediately upon receipt of the State Personnel Board Agenda in which the proposed position action is noticed as being under consideration, and generally no later than a week to ten days after its publication.

In cases where a merit issue has been raised regarding a proposed CEA position action and the dispute cannot be resolved, a hearing before the five-member Board may be scheduled. If no merit issues are raised regarding a proposed CEA position action, and it is approved by the State Personnel Board, the action becomes effective without further action by the Board.

The second section of this portion of the Agenda reports those position actions that have been approved. They are effective as of the date they were approved by the Executive Officer of the State Personnel Board.

A. CHIEF, ENTERPRISE POLICY AND STRATEGIC PLANNING OFFICE The Department of Water Poscurees proposes to allocate the above

The Department of Water Resources proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Chief, Enterprise Policy and Strategic Planning Office will provide policy development, strategic planning and department wide oversight for strategic planning, change management, business process reengineering, organization structure/program performance analysis and evaluation, project management, and integrating

enterprise resource planning software (SAP) into all aspects of the Department's business operations.

CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR

The Department of Motor Vehicles proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Chief Deputy Director, DMV, is at the first organizational level and assists the Director, DMV, in the direction and oversight of the department, including the department's major, statewide, mission critical programs, such as driver licensing, vehicle and boat registration, driver safety, occupational licensing and regulation, and motor carrier licensing and regulation.

PROGRAM MANAGER, MOTOR VEHICLE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTION

The above position was allocated to the CEA category for a two-year period effective June 5, 2003 through January 1, 2006. The Air Resources Board is proposing that the position, Program Manager, Motor Vehicle Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction, be allocated to the CEA category on a permanent basis. The Program Manager, Motor Vehicle Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction directs the work of a multi-disciplinary team, assembled across ARB divisional boundaries, that develops policies and strategies to fulfill the Department's ongoing responsibilities for control of greenhouse gas emissions from motor vehicles.

CHIEF LEARNING OFFICER, TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The Department of Corrections proposes to reallocate the existing civil service position Chief Deputy Administrator, Correctional Programs, CEA to the Chief Learning Officer, Training and Professional Development in the CEA Band category. The Chief Learning Officer is responsible for determining policy, procedures, and priorities of the Departmental Training and Professional Development Program.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY CLIMATE CHANGE ACTIVITIES

The Air Resources Board proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Assistant Secretary Climate Change Activities is responsible for the development of policies and strategies for consideration by the Secretary and ultimately the Governor that will ensure that the State's greenhouse gas emission reduction targets are met.

REGION CHIEF, COASTAL REGION, SANTA ROSA REGION CHIEF, CASCADE REGION, REDDING REGION CHIEF, SIERRA REGION, FRESNO REGION CHIEF, SOUTHERN REGION, RIVERSIDE

The Department of Forestry proposed to reallocate the following four existing Assistant Region Chief CEA allocations to the above mentioned positions: Assistant Region Chief, Administration, Northern; Assistant Region Chief, Operations, Northern; Assistant Region Chief, Operations, Southern; and the Assistant Region Chief, Administration, Southern. The Department of Forestry is proposing to return to an organizational structure where the State was divided into four regions (Coast, Cascade, Sierra, and South) each managed by a Region Chief at the CEA level.

ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR, FIRE PROTECTION, OPERATIONS

The Department of Forestry proposes to reallocate the existing CEA allocation Assistant Deputy Director, Fire Protection to the above mentioned position. The Assistant Deputy Director, Fire Protection, Operations will be responsible for the overall management of the Fire Protection Operations Program.

ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR, PRE-FIRE PLANNING, PREVENTION, AND FLEET ADMINISTRATION

The Department of Forestry proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Assistant Deputy Director, Pre-Fire Planning, Prevention, and Fleet Administration will be responsible for developing polices in support of the California Fire Plan, Fire Prevention and Fleet Administrative Programs.

ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR, COOPERATIVE FIRE, TRAINING, AND SAFETY

The Department of Forestry proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Assistant Deputy Director, Cooperative Fire, Training, and Safety will be responsible for developing and establishing statewide policies in support of Cooperative Fire Services, Statewide Training and Academy and Safety Programs.

ACTION: NOTED

B. CHIEF COUNSEL

The Department of Corporations has requested to withdraw their request to reallocate their existing CEA Assistant Commissioner, Securities Regulation Division to the Chief Counsel Division effective June 2, 2005.

PROGRAM MANAGER, OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES, ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING PROGRAM

The Department of General Services has requested to withdraw their request to establish a CEA allocation for the Program Manager, Office of Technology Resources, Enterprise Resource Planning Program effective June 3, 2005.

ACTION: NOTED

23. EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS, DISCIPLINARY MATTERS, & OTHER APPEALS

Deliberations to consider matter submitted at prior hearing. [Government Code sections 11126(d), 18653.]

NONE

24. WRITTEN STAFF REPORT FOR BOARD INFORMATION

NONE

25. PRESENTATION OF EMERGENCY ITEMS AS NECESSARY

NONE

26. BOARD ACTIONS ON SUBMITTED ITEMS - (See Minutes - Page 25-26)

These items have been taken under submission by the State Personnel Board at a prior meeting and may be before the Board for a vote at this meeting. This list does not include evidentiary cases, as those cases are listed separately by category on this Minutes under Evidentiary Cases.

CLOSED SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

27. DELIBERATION ON ADVERSE ACTIONS, DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS, AND OTHER PROPOSED DECISIONS SUBMITTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

Deliberations on matters submitted at prior hearing; on proposed, rejected, remanded, and submitted decisions; petitions for rehearing; and other matters related to cases heard by administrative law judges of the State Personnel Board or by the Board itself. [Government Code Sections 11126 (d), and 18653 (2).]

28. PENDING LITIGATION

Conference with legal counsel to confer with and receive advice regarding pending litigation when discussion in open session would be prejudicial. [Government Code sections 11126(e)(1) and 18653.]

State Personnel Board v. Department of Personnel Administration, California Supreme Court Case No. S119498.

State Personnel Board v. California State Employees Association, California Supreme Court Case No. S122058.

Connerly v. State Personnel Board, California Supreme Court, Case No. S125502.

International Union of Operating Engineers v. State Personnel Board, Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) Case No. SA-CE-1295-S.

State Compensation Ins. Fund v. State Personnel Board/CSEA, Sacramento Superior Court No. 04CS00049.

SEIU Local 1000 (CSEA) v. State Personnel Board, Sacramento Superior Court No. 05CS00374.

The Copley Press, Inc. v. San Diego Superior Court, California Supreme Court No. S128603.

<u>Union of American Physicians and Dentists v. Department of Corrections, et al.,</u> United States District Court, Northern District of California.

29. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE

Deliberations on recommendations to the legislature. [Government Code section 18653.]

30. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR

Deliberations on recommendations to the Governor on scope of bargaining. [Government Code section 18653.]

ADJOURNMENT

17. EVIDENTIARY CASES

The Board Administrative Law Judges conduct evidentiary hearings in appeals that include, but are not limited to, adverse actions, medical terminations, demotions, Odiscrimination, reasonable accommodations, and whistleblower complaints.

A. BOARD CASES SUBMITTED

These items have been taken under submission by the State Personnel Board at a prior meeting.

On July 13, 2005, the Board took the following action on the following cases presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan - Aye

(1) CHAD LOOK, CASE NO. 04-1789

Appeal from 60 working days suspension Classification: Correctional Officer Department: Department of Corrections

Proposed decision rejected January 11, 2005 Transcript prepared Oral argument heard June 7, 2005, Sacramento Case ready for decision by FULL Board

ACTION: The Board issued a non-precedential decision modifying the 60 work-day suspension to a suspension for 15 working day.

(2) JAMES MCAULEY, CASE NO. 04-1856

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Associate Transportation Engineer, Caltrans

(Registered)

Department: Department of Transportation

Proposed decision rejected March 8-9, 2005 Transcript prepared Oral argument heard June 7, 2005, Sacramento Case ready for decision by FULL Board

NO ACTION

(3) DARYL STONE, CASE NO. 04-0279A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Police Officer I

Department: Department of Developmental Services

ALJ's Proposed Decision rejected by the Board on February 8, 2005

Transcript prepared

Oral argument heard May 3, 2005

Case ready for decision by FULL Board

ACTION: The Board issued a non-precedential decision modifying the dismissal to a suspension for 12 months.

B. <u>CASES PENDING</u>

ORAL ARGUMENTS

These cases were on calendar to be argued at this meeting or to be considered by the Board in closed session based on written arguments submitted by the parties.

On July 13, 2005, the Board took the following action on the following cases presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan - Aye

(1) PATRICK BARBER, CASE NO. 04-1789

Appeal from 60 working days' suspension Classification: Correctional Officer Department: Department of Corrections

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(2) FRANK GARCIA, CASE NO. 04-0092PA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Chief Engineer I

Department: Department of Corrections

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the dismissal.

C. CHIEF COUNSEL RESOLUTIONS

NONE

COURT REMANDS

This case was remanded to the Board by the court for further Board action.

On July 13, 2005, the Board took the following action on the following cases presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan - Aye

(1) KARMEN PERRY, CASE NO. 03-2107

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for 12 months.

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections

ACTION: The Board issued a resolution setting aside the Board's prior decision in the case and remanding the case back to the ALJ.

STIPULATIONS

These stipulations would have been submitted to the Board for Board approval, pursuant to Government Code, section 18681.

NONE

D. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S (ALJ) PROPOSED DECISIONS</u>

PROPOSED DECISIONS

These were ALJ proposed decisions submitted to the Board for the first time.

On July 13, 2005, the Board adopted as indicated below the following decisions presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan – Aye

(1) ELVIA ARGUELLES, CASE NO. 03-1079B

Appeal for determination of salary, benefits and interest

Classification: Licensing Program Analyst

Department: Department of Social Services

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision denying

the appeal.

(2) SUSAN BRIGGS-REIMAN, CASE NO. 04-0972 & 04-2516

Appeal from two days suspension and demotion from the position of Social Worker III to the position of Social Worker II

Classification: Social Worker III

Department: Human Services Agency, County of Merced **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision modifying the two days suspension to an official reprimand and revoking the demotion.

(3) MARCIE CHURCO, CASE NO. 04-2347

Appeal from rejection during probationary period

Classification: Office Assistant (Typing)

Department: Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision affirming

the rejection and denying the appeal.

(4) JUNIUS ELI, JR., CASE NO. 05-0791

Appeal from official reprimand

Classification: Satellite Wagering Facility Lead Janitor

Department: 22nd District Agricultural Association

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision modifying the official reprimand to an informal reprimand.

(5) ROBERT FINE, CASE NO. 04-2958

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for six pay periods

Classification: Parole Agent I

Department: Department of Corrections

ACTION: The Board rejected the ALJ's Proposed Decision modifying the five percent reduction in salary for six pay periods to an official reprimand and remanded the case back to the ALJ for clarification.

(6) GARY GARFINKLE, CASE NO. 98-3128RB

Appeal for determination of back salary, benefits and interest

Classification: Deputy Attorney General IV

Department: Department of Justice

ACTION: The Board rejected the ALJ's Proposed Decision granting

back salary and interest and will decide the case itself.

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(7) ALEJANDRO GILL, CASE NO. 05-0054

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections

ACTION: The Board rejected the ALJ's Proposed Decision revoking

the dismissal and remanded the case back to the ALJ for

clarification.

(8) JON HENDERSON, CASE NO. 04-3037

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Psychiatric Technician

Department: Department of Developmental Services **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the dismissal.

(9) RODNEY JACKSON, CASE NO. 04-2260

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision revoking

the dismissal.

(10) DAVID MADRIGAL, CASE NO. 04-2363

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Correction

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the dismissal.

(11) GUNASUNDRAN PILLY, CASE NO. 04-1025

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Business Taxes Specialist I

Department: Board of Equalization

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the dismissal.

(12) MARK SAMORA, CASE NO. 04-3091

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Information Technology Consultant

Department: California State University, Los Angeles

ACTION: The Board rejected the ALJ's Proposed Decision sustaining the dismissal and will decide the case itself.

(13) ABAYOMI SONUYI, CASE NO. 05-0542

Appeal from official reprimand

Classification: Hazardous Material Specialist **Department:** Department of Corrections

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision revoking

the official reprimand.

(14) LISA STAPP, CASE NO. 04-2951

Appeal from rejection during probationary period

Classification: Fair Hearing Officer

Department: Department of Social Services, County of Shasta **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the rejection.

(15) LINDA STONESTREET, CASE NO. 03-3547E

Appeal for determination of back salary, benefits and interest

Classification: Park Maintenance Worker I

Department: Department of Parks and Recreation

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision granting

back salary, benefits and interest.

(16) DELWIN BROWN, CASE NO. 04-1665

MARCEL BERRY, CASE NO. 04-1667 STEVE CHIU, CASE NO. 04-1773

LINDA BERSHELL-BRIDGES, CASE NO. 04-1777

ROBERT DUTRA, CASE NO. 04-1800 DANIEL TORRES, CASE NO. 04-1714

Appeals from dismissal

Classification: Youth Correctional Officer, Youth Correctional

Counsel and Senior Youth Correctional Counselor

Department: Department of Corrections

ACTION: The Board rejected the ALJ's Proposed Decision revoking

the dismissals and remanded the case back to the ALJ for

clarification.

Proposed Decisions Taken Under Submission At Prior Meeting

These would have been ALJ proposed decisions taken under submission at a prior Board meeting, for lack of majority vote or other reason.

NONE

PROPOSED DECISIONS AFTER BOARD REMAND

NONE

PROPOSED DECISIONS AFTER SPB ARBITRATION

NONE

E. PETITIONS FOR REHEARING

ALJ PROPOSED DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD

The Board voted to grant or deny a petition for rehearing filed by one or both parties, regarding a case already decided by the Board.

On July 13, 2005, the Board took the following actions on the following cases presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan - Aye

(1) FRANK BRASWELL, CASE NO. 04-2459P

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for 12 months

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections

ACTION: The Board denied the petition for rehearing.

(2) DONALD CATHEY, CASE NO. 04-2153P

Appeal from one-step reduction in salary for six months

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections

ACTION: The Board denied the petition for rehearing.

(3) ELAINE SIMMONS, CASE NO. 02-4258EP

Appeal from denial of discrimination and retaliation complaint

Classification: Associate Management Analyst Department: California Public Utilities Commission ACTION: The Board denied the petition for rehearing.

WHISTLEBLOWER NOTICE OF FINDINGS

The Board would have voted to grant or deny a petition for rehearing filed by one or both parties, regarding a Notice of Findings issued by the Executive Officer under Government Code, section 19682 et seq. and Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 56 et seq.

NONE

F. PENDING BOARD REVIEW

These cases were pending preparation of transcripts, briefs, or the setting of oral argument before the Board.

On July 13, 2005, the Board took the following actions on the following cases presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan – Aye

(1) PATRICK BARBER, CASE NO. 04-0174PA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Youth Correctional Counselor **Department:** Department of the Youth Authority

Proposed decision adopted November 3, 2004 Modifying dismissal to 45-calendar day suspension Petition for Rehearing granted February 8-9, 2005 Transcript prepared Pending oral argument June 7, 2005, Sacramento Oral argument continued Pending oral argument July 13, 2005, Sacramento

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(2) JON CHASE, CASE NO. 04-0392A

Appeal from 30 working days suspension

Classification: Associate Management Auditor

Department: Employment Development Department

Proposed decision rejected April 19, 2005 Transcript prepared

Pending oral argument July 13, 2005, Sacramento Oral argument continued

Pending oral argument August 9-10, 2005, Sacramento

NO ACTION

(3) FRANK GARCIA, CASE NO. 04-0092PA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Chief Engineer I

Department: Department of Corrections

Petition for rehearing granted May 3, 2005

Transcript prepared

Pending oral argument July 13, 2005, Sacramento

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the dismissal.

(4) INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, UNIT 12, LOCALS 3, 12, 39, & 501, CASE NO. 04-0813A [PSC File No. 04-002 (b)]

Review of personal services contract for maintenance and grounds keeping

Department: California Science Center

Proposed decision rejected June 21, 2005 Pending transcript

NO ACTION

(5) JOSEPH MARTINEZ, CASE NO. 04-2690A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Hospital Police Officer

Department: Department of Mental Health

Proposed decision rejected May 17, 2005 Transcript prepared

Pending oral argument August 31-31, 2005, Los Angeles

NO ACTION

(6) KIM RITTENHOUSE, CASE Nos. 03-3541A & 03-3542E

Appeal from denial of reasonable accommodation

Classification: Office Technician (General)

Department: Department of Fish and Game

Proposed decision rejected May 18, 2004

Pending transcript

NO ACTION

(7) ANDREW RUIZ, CASE NO. 04-2391A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Correctional Lieutenant Department: Department of Corrections

Proposed decision rejected June 7, 2005

Pending transcript

NO ACTION

19. NON-EVIDENTIARY CASES

A. WITHHOLD APPEALS

Cases would have been heard by a Staff Hearing Officer, a managerial staff member of the State Personnel Board or investigated by Appeals Division staff.

<u>WITHHOLD FROM CERTIFICATION</u> CASES HEARD BY A STAFF HEARING OFFICER

NONE

<u>WITHHOLD FROM CERTIFICATION</u> CASES NOT HEARD BY A STAFF HEARING OFFICER

On July 13, 2005, the Board adopted as indicated below the following decisions presented by Laura M. Aguilera, Assistant Executive Officer, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan - Aye

(1) ENRIQUE AGUILERA, CASE NO. 05-0411

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Corrections

Issue: Suitability and illegal drug activity.

ACTION: DENIED

(2) **ELIGIO MARTINEZ, NO. 04-2232**

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Corrections

Issue: Suitability, omitted pertinent information, furnished inaccurate information, negative employment record and failure to meet legal

obligations.

ACTION: DENIED

B. MEDICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENING APPEALS

Cases heard by a Staff Hearing Panel comprised of a managerial staff member of the State Personnel Board and a medical professional.

On July 13, 2005, the Board adopted as indicated below the following decisions presented by Laura M. Aguilera, Assistant Executive Officer, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan - Aye

(1) THOMAS MAUNE, CASE NO. 04-2178

Classification: Special Investigator I

Department: California Department of Mental Health

Issue: Does sufficient evidence exist to support the psychological

disqualification of the appellant?

ACTION: DENIED

(2) BARBARA MONTES, CASE NO. 04-2179

Classification: Hospital Peace Officer

Department: California Department of Mental Health

Issue: Is the appellant free from any mental or emotional or

condition that would adversely affect the exercise of the powers of a

peace officer?

ACTION: DENIED

C. EXAMINATION APPEALS MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS MERIT ISSUE COMPLAINTS

Cases would have been heard by a Staff Hearing Officer, a managerial staff member of the State Personnel Board or investigated by Appeals Division staff. The Board would have been presented recommendations by a Staff Hearing Officer for final decision on each appeal.

EXAMINATION APPEALS

NONE

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

NONE

MERIT ISSUE COMPLAINTS

NONE

D. RULE 211 APPEALS RULE 212 OUT OF CLASS APPEALS VOIDED APPOINTMENT APPEALS

Cases would have been heard by a Staff Hearing Officer, or a managerial staff member of the State Personnel Board. The Board would have been presented recommendations by a Staff Hearing Officer for final decision on each appeal.

NONE

E. <u>REQUEST TO FILE CHARGES CASES</u>

Investigated by Appeals Division staff. The Board was presented recommendations by Appeals Division staff for final decision on each request.

On July 13, 2005, the Board took the following actions on the following cases presented by Laura M. Aguilera, Assistant Executive Officer, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan - Aye

(1) JIM BOYLE, CASE NO. 04-0426

Classification: Academic Teacher

Department: California Youth Authority

Issue: The charging party requests charges be filed against the charged party for violations of various subsections of Government

Code section 19572. **ACTION: DENIED**

(2) MARILYN COLE, CASE NO. 04-2017

Classification: N/A – Member of the Public **Department:** Department of Corrections

Issue: The charging party requests to file charges against various

employees of the CDC.

ACTION: DENIED

(3) ROBERT LEFORT, CASE NO. 04-1608

Classification: Civilly committed offender at ASH

Department: Mental Health

Issue: The charging party requests charges be filed against the charged party for violations of various subsections of Government

Code section 19572. **ACTION: DENIED**

(4) KATHY SWINFORD, CASE NO. 04-1611

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Corrections

Issue: The charging party requests charges be filed against the charged party for violation of Government Code section 19572 (w).

ACTION: DENIED

(5) **JOHN WAGNER, CASE NO. 04-1891**

Classification: N/A – Member of the Public

Department: Health Services

Issue: The charging party requests charges be filed against the charged party for violations of various subsections of Government

Code section 19572. **ACTION: DENIED**

(6) TISHA WONG, CASE NO. 04-0872

Classification: Former state employee

Department: California Department of Transportation

Issue: The charging party requests charges be filed against the charged party for violations of various subsections of Government

Code section 19572. **ACTION: DENIED**

PETITIONS FOR REHEARING CASES

NONE

F. PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENING CASES

Cases reviewed by Appeals Division staff, but no hearing was held. It was anticipated that the Board would have acted on these proposals without a hearing.

NONE

SUBMITTED

1. TEACHER STATE HOSPITAL (SEVERELY), ETC.

Departments of Mental Health and Developmental Services. (Hearing held December 3, 2002.)

NO ACTION

2. VOCATIONAL INSTRUCTOR (SAFETY)(VARIOUS SPECIALTIES)

Departments of Mental Health and Developmental Services. (Hearing held December 3, 2002.)

NO ACTION

3. TELEVISION SPECIALIST (SAFETY)

The Department of Corrections proposes to establish the new classification Television Specialist (Safety) by using the existing Television Specialist class specification and adding "Safety" as a parenthetical to recognize the public aspect of their job, additional language will be added to the Typical Tasks section of the class specification and a Special Physical Characteristics section will be added. (Presented to Board March 4, 2003.)

NO ACTION

4. HEARING – Personal Services Contract #04-03

Appeal of the California State Employees Association from the Executive Officer's April 15, 2004, Approval of Master Contracts between the California Department of Corrections and Staffing Solutions, CliniStaff, Inc., Staff USA, Inc., CareerStaff Unlimited, MSI International, Inc., Access Medical Staffing & Service, Drug Consultants, Infinity Quality Services Corporation, Licensed Medical Staffing, Inc., Morgan Management Services, Inc., Asereth Medical Services, and PrideStaff dba Rx Relief. (Hearing held August 12, 2004.)

NO ACTION

5. HEARING

Proposed new and revised State Personnel Board Regulations effecting equal opportunity, discrimination complaints and reasonable accommodation policies and procedures. (Hearing held July 7, 2004.)

NO ACTION

6. DARYL STONE, CASE NO. 04-0279A

Appeal from dismissal. Police Officer I. Department of Developmental Services. (Oral argument held May 3, 2005.)

ACTION: The Board issued a non-precedential decision modifying the dismissal to a suspension for 12 months.

7. HEARING – Personal Services Contract #05-02

Appeal of the International Union of Operating Engineers from the Executive Officer's January 5, 2005 Decision Denying Review of Contracts for Drilling Services between the California Department of Transportation and URS Corporation and Geocon Consultants, Inc. (Hearing held June 7, 2005)

ACTION: The Board issued a decision finding that it does not have jurisdiction to review this contract.

8. CHAD LOOK, CASE NO. 04-1789

Appeal from 60 working day suspension. Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections. (Oral argument held June 7, 2005.)

ACTION: The Board issued a non-precedential decision modifying the 60 working day suspension to a suspension of fifteen working days.

9. JAMES MCAULEY, CASE NO. 04-1856

Appeal from dismissal. Associate Transportation Engineer. Department of Transportation. (Oral argument held June 7, 2005.)

NO ACTION

NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 RESOLUTION

Since Government Code section 18671.1 requires that cases pending before State

Personnel Board Administrative Law Judges (ALJ's) be completed within six months or no
later than 90 days after submission of a case, whichever is first, absent the publication of
substantial reasons for needing an additional 45 days, the Board hereby publishes its
substantial reasons for the need for the 45-day extension for some of the cases now
pending before it for decision.

An additional 45 days may be required in cases that require multiple days of hearings, that have been delayed by unusual circumstances, or that involve any delay generated by either party (including, but not limited to, submission of written briefs, requests for settlement conferences, continuances, discovery disputes, pre-hearing motions). In such cases, six months may be inadequate for the ALJ to hear the entire case, prepare a proposed decision containing the detailed factual and legal analysis required by law, and for the State Personnel Board to review the decision and adopt, modify or reject the proposed decision within the time limitations of the statute.

Therefore, at its next meeting, the Board will issue the attached resolution extending the time limitation by 45 days for all cases that meet the above criteria, and that have been before the Board for less than six months as of the date of the Board meeting.

GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 18671.1 provides that, absent waiver by the appellant, the time period in which the Board must render its decision on a petition pending before it shall not exceed six months from the date the petition was filed or 90 days from the date of submission; and

WHEREAS, Section 18671.1 also provides for an extension of the time limitations by 45 additional days if the Board publishes substantial reasons for the need for the extension in its calendar prior to the conclusion of the six-month period; and

WHEREAS, the Agenda for the instant Board meeting included an item titled "Notice of Government Code section 18671.1 Resolution" which sets forth substantial reasons for utilizing that 45-day extension to extend the time to decide particular cases pending before the Board;

WHEREAS, there are currently pending before the Board cases that have required multiple days of hearing and/or that have been delayed by unusual circumstances or by acts or omissions of the parties themselves;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the time limitations set forth in Government Code section 18671.1 are hereby extended an additional 45 days for all cases that have required multiple days of hearing or that have been delayed by acts or omissions of the parties or by unusual circumstances and that have been pending before the Board for less than six months as of the date this resolution is adopted.

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I hereby certify that the State Personnel Board made and adopted the preceding resolution at its meeting on July 13, 2005.

VOTE: Elkins, Tom, Alvarado, Harrigan, Sheehan - Aye

FLOYD D. SHIMOMURA

Executive Officer

California State Personnel Board